

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 56th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN MATT BRAINARD**, on March 23, 1999 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 420 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Matt Brainard, Chairman (R)
Rep. Toni Hagener, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Allan Walters, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Darrel Adams (R)
Rep. Joan Andersen (R)
Rep. Edith Clark (R)
Rep. Tom Dell (D)
Rep. George Golie (D)
Rep. Donald L. Hedges (R)
Rep. Monica Lindeen (D)
Rep. Jeff Mangan (D)
Rep. Douglas Mood (R)
Rep. Brennan Ryan (D)
Rep. Frank Smith (D)
Rep. Bill Tash (R)
Rep. Bill Thomas (R)
Rep. Doug Wagner (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Sheri Heffelfinger, Legislative Branch
Karen Mills, Committee Secretary

Please Note: These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s): SB 352, 493, SJR 4, 9 HB 660, March 23, 1999
Executive Action: SJR 9, 4 SB 352, 494, 495, 496, HB 636
Posted: SB 352, 493--2/19/99 & 3/2/99

HB 660--3/8/99
SJR 4 & 9--2/20/99

HEARING ON SB 352

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. DALE MAHLUM
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 0.4 - 2.1}

Proponents' Testimony:

DALE JACOBSEN, Adm. Mt. Veteran's Assoc.
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 2.4 - 3}

HAL HANSON, American Legion of Montana
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 3 - 3.2}

MATTHEW COHN, Adm. of Travel Mt.
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 3.3 - 3.7}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

REPS; WALTERS, ADAMS AND HEDGES
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 4 - 7.5}

Closing by Sponsor: REP. DALE MAHLUM
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 7.5 - 8}

HEARING ON SJR 9

Opening Statement by Sponsor: SEN. MACK COLE
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 8.2 - 10.5}

Proponents' Testimony:

MARVIN EICHOLTZ, Dept. of Administration
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 10.6 - 11.3}

Closing by Sponsor: SEN. MACK COLE
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 11.9 - 12.6}

REP. CHRIS AHNER WILL CARRY SJR TO THE FLOOR.

HEARING ON HB 660

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. R. MENAHAN

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 16 - 20.6}

Proponents' Testimony:

TERRY MINOW, Rep. Mt. Employees of Mt. State Hospital
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 20.7 - 23.1}

JOHN MCHUGH, 50 Friends of State of Montana
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 23.3 - 24.8}

TOM PERRICK, Mt. State Hospital Chemical Dependency Counselor
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 24.9 - 27.5}

DARYL HOLZER, AFL/CIO
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 27.6 - 29.2}

Informational Testimony:

MIKE O'CONNOR, Ex. Dir. of PERS
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 29.3 - 30}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

REPS; HEDGES, LINDEEN, WAGNER, MIKE O'CONNOR (INFORMATIONAL TESTIMONY), BRAINARD TO O'CONNOR, WAGNER TO DEB DIRKSEN--C.E.O OF MT. STATE HOSPITAL.
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 0.1 - 16.8}

Closing by Sponsor: REP. R. MENAHAN
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 16.9 - 17.5}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SJR 9

Motion: REP. LINDEEN moved DO CONCUR on SJR 9.
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 18.6 - 18.7}

Discussion:

REPS; HEDGES AND WAGNER
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 18.7 - 20.4}

Vote: The motion carried 16-1; REP. RYAN VOTING NO.
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 20.4 - 20.7}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 352

Motion: REP. HEDGES moved DO CONCUR on SB 352.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 20.9 - 21}

Discussion:

REP. BRAINARD

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 21 - 25}

Vote: The motion carried 17-0; unanimous.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 25 - 25.7}

REP. SAM ROSE WILL CARRY SB 352 TO THE FLOOR.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 636

Motion: REP. BRAINARD moved HB 636 DO PASS.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 26.5 - 26.8}

Informational Testimony:

SHERI HEFFELFINGER,

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 26.8 - 27}

Discussion:

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 27 - 28}

Motion: REP. BRAINARD moved to DO PASS HB 636 as amended per
EXHIBIT (sth65a01)

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 28 - 30.1}

Discussion:

REPS; MANGAN, RYAN, BRAINARD, WAGNER, TASH AND MOOD.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 0.1 - 3.3}

Vote: The motion carried 11-6; REPS; DELL, MANGAN, RYAN, GOLIE,
LINDEEN AND HAGENER VOTING NO.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 3.4 - 6.8}

REP. CHASE HIBBARD WILL CARRY BILL TO THE HOUSE FLOOR.

HEARING ON SJR 4

Opening Statement by Sponsor: SEN. TOM BECK

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 8.1 - 9.8}

Proponents' Testimony:

BETTY BABCOCK, Pres. of Mt. Capitol Restoration Project

EXHIBIT (sth65a02)

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 10 - 12.2}

DOUG MUNGER, Fish, Wildlife and Parks

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 12.3 - 12.8}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

REPS; BRAINARD, BRAINARD TO BECK, MOOD AND BILL BAYLESS
(INFORMATIONAL TESTIMONY)

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 13.3 - 18.3}

Closing by Sponsor: SEN. TOM BECK

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 18.3 - 18.9}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SJR 4

Motion: REP. HAGENER moved DO CONCUR on SJR 4.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 19.5 - 20}

Vote: The motion carried 17-0, unanimous to DO CONCUR on SJR 4.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 20 - 20.6}

REP. BILL THOMAS WILL CARRY THE BILL TO THE HOUSE FLOOR.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 494

Motion: REP. HEDGES moved DO CONCUR on SB 494.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 22.2 - 22.5}

Discussion:

REPS; ADAMS, HAGENER, MANGAN, BRAINARD, LINDEEN, BRAINARD, DELL,
HEDGES, ADAMS AND MOOD.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 22.5 - 29.4}

Discussion:

REP. BRAINARD

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 29.5 - 30.1}

Motion: REP. BRAINARD moved TO TABLE SB 494.

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : .1 - 1.1}

Vote: The motion carried 14-3; REPS; HEDGES, SMITH AND THOMAS VOTING NO.

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 1.2 - 2.6}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 495

Motion: REP. RYAN moved DO CONCUR on SB 495.

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 3.1 - 3.7}

Motion: REP. MOOD moved SB 495 BE TABLED.

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 3.8 - 3.9}

Vote: The motion carried 14-3; REPS; HEDGES SMITH AND THOMAS VOTING NO.

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 3.9 - 4.7}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 496

Motion: REP. WALTERS moved DO CONCUR on SB 496.

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 5.2 - 5.3}

Discussion:

REPS; THOMAS, MOOD, WAGNER, MOOD, THOMAS, MOOD, HAGENER, HEDGES, CLARK, THOMAS AND MOOD.

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 5.4 - 13.1}

Vote: Motion failed 8-9; reverse the vote to 9-8 and table.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 493

Motion: REP. RYAN moved DO CONCUR on SB 493.

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 15 - 15.5}

Discussion:

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 15.5 - 15.8}

Motion: REP. ADAMS moved SB 493 BE TABLED.

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 15.8 - 17.8}

Vote: The motion carried 14-3 TO TABLE SB 493; REPS; HEDGES, SMITH AND THOMAS VOTING NO.

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 17.8 - 17.9}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 498

Motion: REP. WALTERS moved DO CONCUR on SB 498.

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 17.9 - 18}

Discussion:

REPS; WALTERS AND HAGENER

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 18 - 19}

Motion: REP. BRAINARD moved TO TABLE SB 498.

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 19 - 19.5}

Vote: The motion carried 12-5; REPS; HEDGES, SMITH, MOOD, CLARK
AND LINDEEN VOTING NO.

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 19.5 - 20}

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:20 A.M.

REP. MATT BRAINARD, Chairman

KAREN MILLS, Secretary

MB/KM

EXHIBIT (sth65aad)